

PLATT OFFERS A SETTLEMENT

Miss Mae Wood Declines to Consider Anything But Revenge.

ABE HUMMEL GOT BIG SLICE

Richmond Lawyers Say They Filed Marriage Certificate and Charge Bigamy in Bill.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] KALAMAZOO, MICH., Feb. 27.—Miss Wood who has filed a suit for a divorce from Senator Platt, of New York, said to-day that she had recently received a letter from her attorney, Mr. O'Flaherty, of Richmond, Va., in which Senator Platt offers to make a settlement of the case, provided it is kept out of court.

"I have suffered too much at the hands of this man during the past five years to be influenced by a little money in the case," said Miss Wood. "I can see no reason why he should suffer the consequences of his past misdeeds, and for that reason I will take the stand against him."

Abe Hummel in Case.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—While Abe Hummel is figuring so prominently in the Thaw trial, it is interesting to know that he figured in the intrigue of Mae Wood and Senator Platt. The evidence to be produced at the trial of the divorce suit will show that the city Hummel, acting for Mae Wood, got \$15,000 from Senator Platt for certain letters in Miss Wood's possession. He gave his client \$8,000 and kept \$7,000 for himself. According to the information of attorneys who have been investigating, looked up in the Hummel safe, it is said, there is an agreement, signed by Mae Wood, that in consideration of a certain sum, paid to her, she agreed to turn over to Senator Platt all of his writings in her possession.

Charges Bigamy.

Mr. D. C. O'Flaherty, of the law firm of O'Flaherty & Fulton, counsel for Miss Wood, or Mrs. Platt, as she claims to be, was seen yesterday afternoon at his office in the Mutual Building and asked as to the Platt suit. He stated that a bill in equity or a complaint, as such a bill in a divorce suit is known in New York, was served on Senator Platt or his legal representative in New York on February 17th. Under the laws of that State no public record is made of such suits until the case comes to trial, and the respondent is allowed twenty days within which to file an answer to the complaint. The time for filing the answer was yesterday.

The suit in the case of divorce, and if the complaint can establish her claim the Senator will be charged by the facts with bigamy, having also married, as above stated, another woman.

It is said the complainant stated that she could name five or six co-respondents, but as the action is one for divorce this is not necessary, and it is understood the complaint did not name the names of the alleged co-respondents.

Marriage Certificate Filed.

Mr. O'Flaherty was asked if he would permit the reporter to see the complaint served in this case, but he replied that he could not at this time. It was stated, however, that the marriage certificate is one of the strongest bits of evidence on which the complainant relies. This is signed by two witnesses, the one performing the marriage rite and one other person. The names of these two persons are not made known.

Other than the information as to the filing of the complaint and awaiting an answer, the attorney politely declined to discuss the case for publication.

Senator Denies Wedding.

In the suit of Miss Mae Wood, of Michigan, against United States Senator Platt, of New York, advice was received by Mr. D. C. O'Flaherty, counsel for Miss Wood, yesterday from his associates in New York that Boardman and Platt, counsel for Senator Platt, had filed an answer to the declaration in which Senator Platt admits his marriage to Mrs. Jane Platt, but denies the alleged marriage with Miss Wood.

The petition further asks for a change of venue from New York City to Toga county, where the Senator's country place is. In filing the papers Mr. Joe Day Lee, of New York, is substituted for Mr. Lloyd Price as associate attorney for Miss Wood.

GOV. VARDAMAN ON RACE QUESTION

Says the Matter Belongs to the Whole People, Who Will Settle It.

JACKSON, MISS., Feb. 27.—"The Christian science treatment will not

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MASS. COLLECTION FOR JAMESTOWN

Treasures of Colonial Times Now on Exhibition at Boston.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BOSTON, MASS., February 27.—The historical collection from Massachusetts, which is to be shown at the Jamestown Tercentennial Exhibition is now on view at the Textile Gallery of Museum of Fine Arts. It is, in fact, a collection, comprising silverware, portraits, miniature fans, embroidery, costumes, lace, books, autographs, manuscripts, etc., illustrating the life of Colonial and Revolutionary periods of the country's history.

Of special interest are the pieces formerly belonging to the Adams family. President John Adams and his wife, Abigail, which are loaned by Charles Francis Adams second. There are also several pieces made by Paul Revere. The exhibit of autographs is notable from a historical point of view. It includes those of all the Massachusetts Colonial Governors.

There are many old paintings of the worthies of Colonial times, most of them rather bad paintings, and many old prints, charts, etc.

SERIOUS CHARGE

Young Cotton Mill Operative Goes to Grand Jury.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] LYNCHBURG, VA., February 27.—David Agee, an operative at the cotton-mill, was held for the action of the grand jury in the Police Court this morning on the charge of attempting Monday night to assault Mrs. S. S. Bruffey, who lives on Cotton Hill. The case will be brought to the attention of the grand jury on next Monday. Agee says he had been drinking.

MEN CRITICALLY ILL.

BattleShip Connecticut Reports Fifteen Down.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, VA., February 27.—The battleship Connecticut, bound from the West Indies to New York, with many members of her crew down with typhoid fever, reported by wireless telegraph when off Cape Henry to-day that as many as fifteen of the men were in a critical condition and many not live. There were no new cases of typhoid to-day.

Rio Vista and Ridge Church.

Miss Bessie Browning, of "Wayside," spent a few days last Sunday at the home of her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Dew, of Ridge Church. Mrs. A. F. Baughan, of Rio Vista, has been quite indisposed for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. James J. Urban, of Richmond, recently visited relatives near Ridge Church.

Misses Nellie and Elsie Cary, of South Harrison Street, Richmond, spent last Sunday at the home of Mrs. James Franklin, of Westhampton.

Mrs. Edna Franklin and her little daughter, Louise, spent the day in the home of the latter's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Franklin, of Ridge Church.

Measles is quite prevalent at Rio Vista at this time. Several children, members of the families of J. R. Jones, of H. Thompson, and T. T. Dahney, are confined to their homes by the disease.

Mrs. Julia Cullen spent last Monday with relatives in Manchester.

Mrs. Cora Shepperson, of Ridge, had as her guest on Sunday her sister, Mrs. Charles Lewis, of Richmond.

Miss Estelle Jones, of Dumbarrow, spent last Tuesday night with friends at Westhampton Park.

Mrs. Tower, of Edgewood, visited Richmond last week.

Miss Estelle Baughan, of Rio Vista, had as her guests on Monday her cousins, Misses Edna and Cora Oliver, of Westhampton.

Mrs. J. T. Eubank, of Westhampton Park, visited her daughter, Mrs. Letty Anderson, of the West End, recently.

Mr. Lyell is putting on another addition to his house at Rio Vista.

Mrs. A. L. Libby Avenue, of Rio Vista, recently had as her guest, her mother, Mrs. R. W. Browning, of "Wayside."

Mrs. Alice Jones, of Westhampton Park, visited Richmond during last week.

Mrs. Charles Jones, of Ridge, visited relatives in Richmond recently.

Miss Mary Dicken, of the Broad Street Road, recently visited relatives in Richmond.

John F. Miller, of No. 1213 Taylor Street, Richmond, spent some time in the home of C. W. Blackburn, of Ridge, recently.

Mrs. Frank Dietrich spent last Saturday in the home of her mother, Mrs. Kiny, of Rio Vista.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Alley, of "Sink Pocket," spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mackall, of Broad Street Road.

Mrs. James Eubank, of Westhampton Park, visited her daughter, Mrs. Letty Anderson, of the West End.

Mrs. John B. Baderock spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin, of Westhampton Park.

Mr. M. Z. Franklin, of Ridge, has been very much indisposed for the past few weeks.

Mrs. Walter Eubank, of Ridge, spent last Monday in Richmond.

Miss Willie Shepperson has returned to her home at Ridge, after a visit to relatives in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Childrey, of Richmond, spent last Tuesday with friends at Westhampton Park.

After spending a few days with relatives in Richmond, Miss Temple Blackburn has returned to her home at Ridge.

Miss Lillie Baughan, of Rio Vista, spent last Tuesday night with relatives in Richmond.

Fingers Cut Off.

Thomas Donovan, a small boy, had two fingers of his right hand so badly mangled that amputation was necessary. He was employed at No. 10 South Tenth Street yesterday afternoon, when his hand slipped into a piece of machinery.

Dr. Jones, of the ambulance, responded at once to the call, and after amputating the fingers, took the boy to his home.

BRYANT SAYS HE WANTS FAIR PLAY

Carolina Legislator Declares That Is Sum Total of His Requirements if Attacked.

THE SCHOOL BILL IS DEAD

Superintendent Joyner's Measure to Increase School Fund Meets Defeat.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] RALEIGH, N. C., February 27.—Dr. C. G. Bryant, representative from Wilkes county, arose to a question of personal privilege to-day in the House and made a statement relative to the fight which took place yesterday between Congressman R. N. Hackett and himself, and protested against alleged unfair and untrue newspaper reports of the affair. He said Hackett had cast aspersions on his county and officials of the county, and as their representative he felt it his duty to deny the charges. He was addressing a committee of the House, of which he was a member, when the attack was made on him by Mr. Hackett. He denied to be allowed to represent his people without being assaulted on the floor and misrepresented in the newspapers. He understood that a third attack was to be made on him by Mr. Hackett, and if so, he would be forced to leave the House. He declared the assault without provocation and foreign to the code of ethics and honor of gentlemen.

Revenue Bill Passes.

There was a general air of relief among members of the House of Representatives when the revenue bill and the machinery act had both been passed on their final readings, and ordered enrolled and sent to the Senate. As passed, both are practically as they came from the Finance Committee, of which Representative Doughton, of Allegheny, is chairman. The only notable change in the revenue bill to-day was that the bank stock tax shall be deducted from the dividends of the non-resident stockholders. There was an effort in that connection to change the law so that bank stock tax would be payable in the place where the bank is located, instead of at the home of the resident stockholder, but this was defeated.

The bill of Representative Keenec to elect the insurance commissioner by a vote of the people, instead of his being appointed by the Governor, as now, struck a snag in the House to-day when a motion prevailed, after the debate on the measure was under way, to refer the bill to the Judiciary Committee.

Kill School Bill.

The argument of the bill to require each county in the State to levy a special tax of 10 cents on the \$100 valuation and 30 cents poll tax, maintaining at least four months' school every district in the county, and providing that the State make apportionments of \$1 for every \$2 raised by the counties under this act, consumed the greater part of the day in the Senate, and terminated in the defeat of the bill to 22—despite the fact that the bill was really prepared and urged by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, J. Y. Joyner, and was approved by the Governor and other State officers. Senators did not believe that it would be a popular measure, and many argued that it was unconstitutional.

Senator Buxton offered a bill to-day to create a State board for the equalization of tax assessments. It has the approval of the leaders in both branches of the Assembly, and will certainly be passed with a view to equalizing tax assessments in all counties of the State.

TERRIBLE FALL.

Carpenter Precipitated Many Feet to Cement Flooring.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] ASHEVILLE, N. C., February 27.—Fatally hurt, G. C. Beal, aged twenty-four years, is lying in the Mission Hospital in this city, battered up almost beyond recognition, his injuries having been sustained by a fall from a high scaffold.

Beal, who is a carpenter, was working on a scaffold suspended high above the ground, in the Champion Fibre Company's building being erected at Canton, when in some way a fellow-workman lost his hold on a heavy piece of scaffolding, which fell down, knocking him off the scaffold, and causing him to fall headlong to the hard cement floor below. The unfortunate man struck on his head and face. The whole front of his face was completely crushed in, the bones in his nose, upper and lower jaws being broken, and skull fractured. Both wrists were broken, and his left thigh fractured in two places. He also sustained other internal injuries.

He received prompt medical attention by two physicians in Canton, who had him removed to the Mission Hospital in this city, where he is receiving every attention. The physicians here are doing all that is possible for his recovery, but are doing all possible to relieve his terrible sufferings.

TO BE HALF-WAY HOUSE.

Plan to Make Change of Train Crews at Spencer.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] SPENCER, N. C., February 27.—It is stated on semi-official authority that a number of changes of passenger terminals will be made at an early date on the Southern Railway, among the most important being a cut of the Washington and Charlotte run so that passenger crews will run in and out of Spencer. By the new arrangement several hundred new citizens will be added to Spencer, to which place a large number of passenger conductors will remove their families. The change will also give an equal mileage between Washington and Atlanta, Spencer being half way between the two cities.

SIT IN ASHEVILLE.

Judge Nathan Goff Issues Instructions.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] ASHEVILLE, N. C., February 27.—The United States Court of Appeals will again hold sessions in Asheville this year. Judge Nathan Goff, the presiding judge, has issued instructions to the clerk of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals directing that the clerk place all cases from the districts of South Carolina, Eastern North Carolina and Western North Carolina on the docket for argument in Asheville at the term of court commencing May 21st. It is further ordered that all cases from the districts of West Virginia, Maryland and the Eastern and Western Districts of Vir-

ginia be set for argument at Richmond. Judge Goff, however, directs that consent of lawyers appearing on each side at Richmond may be heard at Asheville, and it is very probable that a number of cases from West Virginia, Virginia and Maryland, which are set for argument at Richmond will really be argued here.

NEW ENTERPRISE.

Citizens' Co-Operative Building and Loan Association.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] SALISBURY, N. C., February 27.—A new enterprise to be known as the Citizens' Co-Operative Building and Loan Association was organized here last night with 1,200 paid shares. The concern will begin business at once. Besides a board of directors the following officers were elected: President, J. E. Helliwell; Vice-President, J. F. McCubbin; Secretary and Treasurer, A. L. Smoot, and Burton Craig, attorney.

UNDER LARGE ROCK.

Carolina Man Injured in Quarry Near Salisbury.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] SPENCER, N. C., February 27.—P. H. Carroll, of Lynwood, an employee of Lane Brothers' Company, contractors, was seriously injured two miles north of this place yesterday afternoon by a large rock falling on him. His shoulder and collar-bone were shattered and three holes knocked in his skull. He was carried from the quarry where the accident occurred, to a hospital in Salisbury for treatment.

Inspect Wilson Soldiers.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WILSON, N. C., February 27.—The Wilson Light Infantry was inspected last night by Major Degan, U. S. A., and Colonel Stringfield. While the result of the inspection will not be made public for some time, yet it is known that the soldier boys, as usual, made a most creditable showing.

The W. W. Simms Company has purchased a tract of 26 acres on the outskirts of the city adjacent to its plant. The steadily increasing business of this large local industry required better facilities and it is reported that a new and larger planing mill and variety works will be erected during the year.

Harris—White.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WAKEFIELD, VA., February 27.—The marriage of Miss Hutoka White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. White, to Mr. William Alfred Harris took place quietly last night at 9 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, on upper Main Street. The Rev. W. E. Allen, the bride's former pastor, officiated.

The home was very beautifully decorated with potted plants and ferns. The bride wore a blue traveling suit, with hat and gloves to match, and carried white carnations and maiden-hair ferns.

Miss Ruth White, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Mr. J. S. White, brother of the bride, acted as best man, and Miss Ray Britton was flower girl.

The music, "Lohengrin" wedding march, was beautifully rendered by the Germania Band. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Harris left on the westbound train for New York, Washington and other Northern points.

Hall—Pratt.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] ROANOKE, VA., February 27.—Mr. Oscar Hall and Miss Maggie M. Pratt, of Christiansburg, were married to-day at the Hotel Stratford, Rev. R. J. Dugan officiating.

GOVERNOR SWANSON TO PRESENT SPEAKER

Dr. J. N. McCormack, an Eminent Physician, to Address Doctors and the Public.

The address of Dr. J. N. McCormack at the Y. M. C. A. hall Saturday night will no doubt attract considerable attention, both on account of his own prominence and the standing of the physicians who have invited him to Richmond.

Governor Swanson will introduce the speaker, and has intimated that he will take the occasion to make some remarks on the subject of the public health and the State's interest in the matter.

Dr. Stuart McGuire and Dr. Christopher Tompkins are the committee in charge for the evening, and their arrangements for the address are about perfected.

Dr. W. H. Saunders, health officer of Albemarle, in the impression made by Dr. McCormack in an address before the Legislature of that State says:

"The address to the Legislature profoundly impressed the members and pointed out to them, as they had never seen before, the absolute need of a thoroughly organized public health system, and the wisdom of providing it with such support as will enable it to accomplish its purposes. Numerous expressions of unqualified endorsement of what had been said were heard on the part of the members, and undoubtedly the way to broader and better legislation was greatly clarified. Just after the address was delivered Senator McWhorter, a prominent member of the profession of the State, and now president of the State Medical Association, offered a resolution which was unanimously adopted, thanking Dr. McCormack, and highly commending his address."

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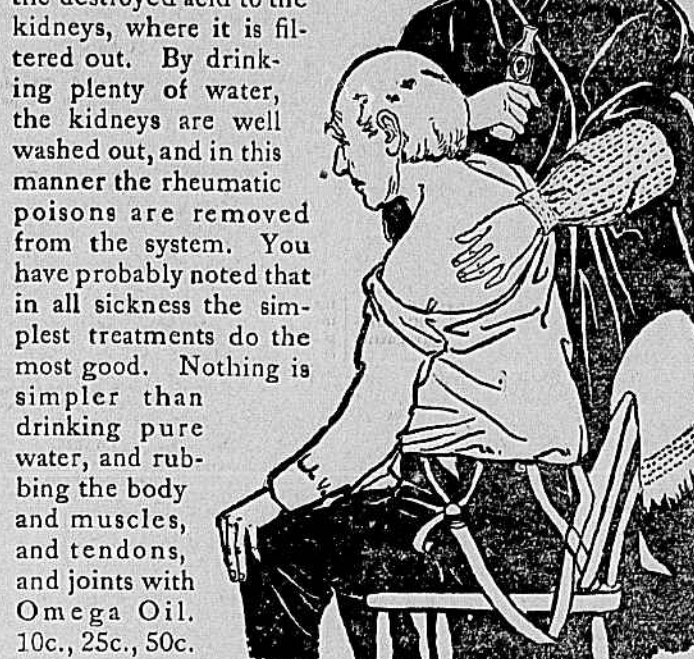
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